

It was fun when Ray took us to the education room because Maddy and Lennox got to fly a remote control dragonfly. Max and Rebekah got to control a mini power station. **Siân**

Ray told us everything about power, like how it works and where it comes from. Right near the museum there is a river. They call it the Waikato River. **Tame**

After lunch we went to Hairy Maclary's front gate. We played two games. It was great fun. I wanted to do it again but we had more fun things to do. Zoom!! Off the bus went like a lion running after a deer. **Maddison**

By the time we got back to school it was four o'clock. When the juniors went home we had sausages and corn for dinner. **Lennox**

Ms Easton rang the hand bell and it was time to come in. First we made our sleeping area then we went for a swath (swim bath). We got our togs. We all jumped in. It was a free swim. **Nikhil**

We got to have a sleepover at school and we got to watch Ice Age 4. Three adults stayed with us, they were Mr Dimond, Ms Easton and Max's dad. Then we got to have hokey pokey ice cream for pudding. **Lilly**

In the morning we woke up and had some breakfast. And what was for breakfast? Weetbix. **Rebekah**

You are welcome to read the full version of these children's stories displayed in the library.

Board of Trustees Elections

Nominations will be called for after Easter.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Nominations Close	Thursday 16 May
Voting Papers Sent by	Tuesday 21 May
Election Day	Thursday 30 May
Count Votes	Wednesday 5 June
Board Takes Office	Thursday 6 June

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

23 March	Waitomo Sports Day
26 March	Board meeting, 5.00pm
28 March	Community Assembly
29 – 2 April	Easter Break
5 April	NZ Shearing Championships
19 April	End of Term 1
22 April	Teachers Only Day

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Term One 2013

Week Seven – 22 March

Dear Parents, Caregiver, Whanau and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome Taurahere and Tipene Trent who have returned to our school from Pawarenga. Welcome Stephen to our parent community.

College News

Our Year 8 students enjoyed their day yesterday at Otorohanga College. They participated in a day of rotation activities to experience a taste of secondary schooling.



Mrs Dimond got to chat with our Year 9 students. It is always exciting to hear from past pupils and after speaking with Logan and Ratapu yesterday it's neat to know they are both enjoying their secondary schooling at Otorohanga College. They have made a lot of friends in Otorohanga and talked favourably about college life.

Logan 'College is cool.' Logan is on the Student Council and is in Hotson



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House. He is also on the sports committee. Logan's favourite subject is science and he enjoys Mrs Pemberton as a teacher.

Ratapu 'It's good, I like it.' Ratapu did well in the recent Waikato Secondary Schools' Athletics day. He competed in shot put and discus. His favourite subject is P.E. and he enjoys working with Mrs Flay for English.

Keep up the fantastic work Logan and Ratapu.

Waitomo Caves Sports Day – Canteen and Easter Raffle

We would appreciate any donations of chocolates, Easter eggs or goodies for the Easter raffle. These can be handed in at school as soon as possible.

Also, baking for the cake stall would be much appreciated and can be either dropped off at school this afternoon, taken to the pavilion in the morning or arrangements made with school 878 7534. Preparation of sandwiches and rolls tomorrow morning, 7.00am at the pavilion and/or help in the canteen selling would be much appreciated.



Waitomo Interschool's Swimming Carnival Results

Te Rito	Girls 9 & Under	3 rd	2 lengths freestyle
	Girls 8 & Under	2 nd	1 length freestyle
Portia	Girls 10 years	3 rd	2 lengths freestyle
	Mixed 10 & Under	3 rd	1 length Relay
Arahia	Girls 10 years	2 nd	2 lengths freestyle
	Mixed 10 & Under	3 rd	1 length Relay
Peta	Girls 10 years	2 nd	1 length backstroke
	Boys 11 years	3 rd	2 lengths freestyle
Alyssa	Boys 11 years & Under	3 rd	1 length breaststroke
	Girls 11 years	3 rd	2 lengths freestyle
Tiana	Girls 11 years	1 st	2 lengths freestyle
	Girls 11 years	1 st	1 length freestyle
Arleyah	Mixed 10 & Under	3 rd	1 length Relay
	Mixed 10 & Under	3 rd	1 length Relay
Tame	Boys 8 & Under	2 nd	1 length freestyle
	Girls 11 years & Under	2 nd	1 length breaststroke
Sian	Boys 11 & Over	1 st	1 length backstroke
Jaide	Boys 11 & Over	3 rd	1 length backstroke
Blaze	Boys 11 years	3 rd	1 length freestyle
Kyah	Girls 9 years	2 nd	1 length freestyle

Community Assembly

Thursday 28 March, 1.30pm sharp. Our focus this assembly is swimming.

Lucky Book Club

The current Scholastic Book Club is a special issue. Help us stock up on fantastic books for our kids to read at school. For every 5 books ordered, our school will get 1 FREE! Please help us - this is an extra special offer that we don't usually get. The more books ordered, the more books our school receives.

Community News

BikeWise 2013 in Te Kuiti, Tuesday 2 April. Te Kuiti BMX Open Day and Obstacle Course on Centennial Park. At Club track in William Street, from 5.30pm. All ages - Come and Have a Go. Some bikes and helmets available - wear sports shoes and long pants. Spot prizes.

Mayoral Community Bike Ride - around a 5km Te Kuiti town course. Wednesday 10 April. For riders 8 and over. Under 10 yrs must be accompanied by an adult rider. Also - 1km Pavement Pedal for ages 7 and below. Starts at 5.30pm from Te Kuiti domain - opposite Te Kuiti Primary. To follow - FREE Swim for all at Te Kuiti Heated Pools. Spot Prizes. No need to register, just come on the day. Also a community walk for those who are not cycling.

Otorohanga Swimming Club Is your child interested in improving their swimming ability? If they would like to train on a regular basis then they should consider joining the Otorohanga Swimming Club. If you require information about our local Swimming Club and how to join, please contact Kristin Street. Ph: 02126473 or 0272295448

Children's Work

Totara Class have published some EOTC stories.

'Time to go city-ing Jack,' I shout. I jump out of bed and half an hour later we were just out of Otorohanga. 'Faster Mum,' yelled Jack full of enthusiasm. **Thomas**

On Thursday we went to the museum. First we parked our car in the car park and some of us were doing skids. **Tane**

Zoom, went the cars. Off we went around the corners and to the museum. I said, 'Let's explore.' **Zarah**

My favourite part was when we got to play on the race cars and we got some paper aeroplanes. **Taylor**

There was an earthquake simulator. It was awesome. To work it you press a green button and wait five seconds then the simulator started to shake! **Max**

We did some research on Lynley Dodd, and we even played with some toys. My class went with Ray the museum keeper. **Alex**